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Commissioner Shulman Names Dick Harvey as Senior Advisor

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WASHINGTON — IRS Commissioner Doug Shulman today named J. Richard (Dick) Harvey Jr. as senior advisor to the commissioner. Harvey will assume his post September 2.

Harvey currently is a partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers, where he serves as the U.S. Banking and Capital Markets Team Leader. In addition to being a nationally recognized expert in financial services tax issues, he also has extensive experience in the financial accounting for income taxes, including both Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) rules and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

"Dick Harvey brings tremendous experience and expertise on accounting and tax issues to the IRS, "said Shulman. "International and corporate tax issues are at the center of our strategic agenda. We are fortunate to have someone of Dick's caliber working on behalf of American taxpayers."

The senior advisor to the commissioner serves as an expert providing guidance and assistance on matters of policy and tax administration. He also will maintain a close partnership between the commissioner's office and the business units responsible for key programs in his areas of expertise, such as the Large and Mid-Size Business Division.

Harvey joined Price Waterhouse in 1978 in its audit practice and transferred to the tax practice in 1981. He transferred to the Price Waterhouse's Washington National Tax Office in 1985. In 1986, he joined the Treasury Department's Office of Tax Policy where he drafted legislation and regulations and did extensive work on the 1986 Tax Reform Act. He rejoined Price Waterhouse (later renamed PricewaterhouseCoopers) in 1988 as a tax partner in New York City focusing on financial institutions.

Harvey graduated magna cum laude from Bucknell University and has a master's degree in international economics and finance from the University of York in the United Kingdom. He also serves as the Distinguished Clinical Professor of Accounting and Executive-in-Residence at Bucknell University but will take leave from this position upon assuming his new role as senior advisor.